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This is a proposed tax measure that proposes increasing sales tax within the City of Coalinga by 1% (one cent for every dollar spent). Funds generated by the additional revenue will be allocated to the City's General Fund to help fund basic City services such as police and fire. There is a deficit of approximately \$557,700 for Fiscal Year 17-18 which has been growing since the Claremont facility closed. This deficit was not created by overspending. If passed, this measure is expected to bring in approximately \$850,000 in additional sales tax revenue for a full fiscal year.

The Council declared their priorities to: retain existing police and fire personnel, avoid future cuts in personnel and services, better protect and serve residents and visitors, perform repairs to damaged or aging infrastructure, and to maintain other essential public services.

If you like the number of police and fire personnel, you should vote for this tax. Without this tax or cutting employees, the deficit will continue to grow. There will be a reduction in City services, primarily police and fire, in order to balance the budget. All tax revenue would be kept by the City and not be able to be spent by the State or County. Several other cities in the County have a sales tax, including Reedley, Selma, Sanger and Huron.

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**BALLOT ARGUMENT STATEMENT FORM**  
Election Code Section 9600

All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to California Elections Code Division 9, commencing with Section 9000, shall be accompanied by the following form statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument:

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the primary  
(primary/rebuttal to)  
argument in favor of ballot proposition Measure  
(In favor of/against) (name or number)  
at the Special Election  
(title of election)  
for the City of Coalinga  
(jurisdiction)  
to be held on November 7, 2017 hereby state that such argument is  
(date of election)  
true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.  
(his/her/their)

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date 8-2-17  
Printed name DWAYNE GABRIEL Title REGISTERED VOTER  
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